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1. TORRENT OF EGYPTIAN REACTION TO SOVIET STATEMENT ON TREATY
ABROGATION HAS CONTINUED APRIL 4.

2. ARAB AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF ASU CENTRAL COMMITTEE
APRIL 4 CONDEMNED SOVIET STATEMENT AS "SOWING NEEDS OF DISSENSION
AMONG ARAB COUNTRIES" AND AS INTERFERENCE IN EGYPTIAN DOMESTIC
AFFAIRS. SOVIET NOTE ALSO ATTACKED BY ASU CENTRAL COMMITTEE AS
REPRESENTING MERE CONTINUATION OF PAST SOVIET POLICY OF PRESSURE
ON EGYPT.

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3. PROMINENT LEFTIST KHALID MUHI AL-DIN, SPOKESMAN FOR NATIONAL

PROGRESSIVE GROUPING IN ASU, DECLARED DURING ASU CENTRAL COMMITTEE DEBATE, AS REPORTED IN APRIL 5 GUMHURIYYA: "REJECTION" OF ANY SOVIET INTERVENTION IN INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL EGYPTIAN POLITICAL AFFAIRS AND EGYPTIAN PEOPLE UNIFIED AND HAVE RIGHT TO DECIDE EGYPTIAN POLICY. MUHI AL-DIN STATEMENT ALSO, HOWEVER, AFFIRMS IMPORTANCE OF EGYPTIAN-SOVIET RELATIONS AND WARNS AGAINST ANY HASTY REACTIONS WHICH MIGHT HARM INTEREST OF SOVIET AND EGYPTIAN PEOPLES, WHICH "CONVERGE IN LONG RUN".

4. LEADERSHIP OF NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE GROUPING AS YET UNNAMED, HOWEVER. COMMUNIQUE FROM LEFTIST ORGANIZATION WAS ISSUED TO NEWSPAPERS APRIL 4 AVOIDING STAND ON TREATY ABROGATION BUT STATING THAT ORGANIZATION IN AGREEMENT ON: (A) NECESSITY FOR COMPLETE EGYPTIAN INDEPENDENCE IN DECIDING INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL POLICY, AND (B) NEED FOR EGYPTIAN SELF-CONTROL IN CURRENT SOVIET-EGYPTIAN RELATIONS AND RESTRAINT ON BOTH SIDES FROM ESCALATING CURRENT SOVIET-EGYPTIAN CRISIS. MUHI AL-DIN, IN GUMHURIYYA ACCOUNT, ANNOUNCED APRIL 4 THAT NATIONAL PROGRESSIVE GROUPING WOULD HOLD MEETING APRIL 10 TO DETERMINE SPECIFIC REACTIONS TO SOVIET STATEMENT (COMMENT: AND ALSO TO STRAIGHTEN OUT LEADERSHIP PROBLEMS WITHIN ORGANIZATION AS A WHOLE).

5. DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICE AT EFL TOLD LRO APRIL 5 THAT STORIES IN PRESS PREVIOUS DAY (REFTEL) CONCERNING EGYPTIAN LABOR REACTION TO SOVIET STATEMENT ABSOLUTE FABRICATIONS. DIRECTOR STATED THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO TELEGRAMS OR MESSAGES RECEIVED BY EFL AT ANY LEVEL CONDEMNING SOVIET "CAMPAIGN OF FALLACIES AGAINST EGYPT AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF EFL HAS NO INTENTION OF HOLDING MEETING TO INJECT ITSELF INTO DISPUTE WHICH PURELY POLITICAL IN NATURE. DIRECTOR STATED THAT EFL CHIEF GHARIB HAD NOT EVEN HEARD OF SUPPOSED LOWER-LEVEL MEETINGS HELD BY RANK-AND-FILE OF EGYPTIAN TRADE UNIONS TO CONSIDER SOVIET ATTITUDES TOWARD EGYPT, OPINION OF GHARIB WAS THAT ONE OF 16 MEMBERS OF EFL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HAD, FOR HIS OWN POLITICAL REASONS, CONTACTED LOCAL PRESS PREVIOUS DAY WITH TRUMPED UP STORY CONCERNING EFL INDIGNATION AT SOVIET STATEMENT. INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR STATED IN STRONGEST LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TERMS THAT UNIONS HAVE NO RPR NO DESIRE OR INTENTION TO BECOME INVOLVED IN DEBATE ON TREATY ABROGATION. EILTS

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